

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

REPORT

OF THE

SPECIAL COMMISSION

TO INVESTIGATE AND STUDY THE PROBLEM OF
AIR POLLUTION AND POLLUTION
CONTROL DEVICES

JANUARY 24, 1962

THE COMMUNICATIONS OF CONGRESS

REPORT

PERIODIC COMMISSION

TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT THE PROGRESS OF
 THE PERIODIC COMMISSION AND POLITICAL
 PARTIES - GOVERNMENT

JANUARY 1952

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

MEMBERSHIP.

Appointed by the President of the Senate.

Sen. ELIZABETH A. STANTON of Fitchburg.
Sen. DENIS L. McKENNA of Somerville.
Sen. OTTO F. BURKHARDT of Westfield.

Appointed by the Speaker of the House.

Rep. CHARLES L. PATRONE of Boston.
Rep. ALFRED R. VOKE of Chelsea.
Rep. JOHN P. KENNEDY of Everett.
Rep. J. ROBERT MAHAN of Leominster.
Rep. WILLIAM LONGWORTH of Methuen.

Appointed by the Governor.

Professor CARL H. KOONTZ of Worcester.
OSCAR S. BRAY of Lynnfield.

Appointed by the Resolve.

The Commissioner of Public Health, ALFRED FRECHETTE.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

RESOLVE CREATING COMMISSION.

CHAPTER 72.

RESOLVE PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE PROBLEM OF AIR POLLUTION AND AIR POLLUTION CONTROL INCLUDING THE ADVISABILITY OF INSTALLING MOTOR VEHICLE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DEVICES ON ALL MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

Resolved, That an unpaid special commission, to consist of three members of the senate to be designated by the president thereof, five members of the house of representatives to be designated by the speaker thereof, the commissioner of public health or his designee, and two persons to be appointed by the governor, is hereby established for the purpose of making an investigation and study relative to the problem of air pollution and air pollution control, including the advisability of requiring motor vehicle air pollution control devices to be installed on motor vehicles registered in the commonwealth. Said commission shall be provided with quarters in the state house or elsewhere, may travel within and without the commonwealth, may hold hearings, may require by summons the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books and papers, and may expend for expert, legal, technical, clerical and other services and assistance such sums as may be appropriated therefor. Said commission shall report to the general court the results of its investigation and study, and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerk of the house of representatives on or before the fourth Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-two.

Approved April 27, 1961.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE AND STUDY THE PROBLEM OF AIR POLLUTION AND POLLUTION CONTROL DEVICES.

JANUARY 24, 1962.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

The Special Commission to Investigate and Study the Problem of Air Pollution and Pollution Control including the Advisability of Installing Motor Vehicle Air Pollution Control Devices on all Motor Vehicles Registered in the Commonwealth herewith submits a report.

The Commission met and organized with Rep. Charles L. Patrone, Chairman; and Rep. John P. Kennedy, Secretary. Thereafter many executive meetings were held and a Technical Working subcommittee was appointed by the Commission early in its deliberations for the purpose of working out a program of study of the problems involved. This subcommittee consists of Oscar S. Bray, Chairman; Professor Carl H. Koontz; Representatives Charles L. Patrone and John P. Kennedy.

The Technical Working subcommittee made the following report:

(1) That an Interim Report should ask for a continuation of the Commission in order to accomplish the following things:

(a) To examine existing legislation to determine its adequacy;

(b) To study and estimate the adequacy of funds available to carry out existing legislation to be performed by the Department of Public Health;

(c) Appropriation of funds for initiating an adequate monitoring program in appropriate areas by the Department of Public Health possibly in conjunction with the Public Health Service of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare is recommended. Appropriation of sufficient funds for purchasing proper equipment and employing adequate personnel to expedite this program, including

such problems as the study of the economic value of air pollution control is also recommended.

(d) To hold a public hearing at which interested persons would be invited.

Because of the technical nature of the subject matter to be studied and the time-consuming studies involved in securing the necessary information, your Commission requests funds which will enable it to secure this information and present it to the members, and to assist and inform it on these matters.

From a cursory examination of the present laws in Massachusetts and other States, your Commission is convinced that it will require much more time in order to make a full report to the General Court, therefore we respectfully request a further extension until February 1, 1964, and ask that we may be granted sufficient monies for these purposes. To that end we attach hereto legislation. [See Appendix A.]

Respectfully submitted,

SEN. ELIZABETH A. STANTON.

SEN. DENIS L. McKENNA.

SEN. OTTO F. BURKHARDT.

REP. CHARLES L. PATRONE.

REP. ALFRED R. VOKE.

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REP. J. ROBERT MAHAN.

REP. WILLIAM LONGWORTH.

OSCAR S. BRAY.

PROF. CARL H. KOONTZ.

COMM. ALFRED FRECHETTE.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

APPENDIX A.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Two.

RESOLVE REVIVING AND CONTINUING THE SPECIAL COMMISSION RELATIVE TO AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY OF THE PROBLEM OF AIR POLLUTION AND AIR POLLUTION CONTROL INCLUDING THE ADVISABILITY OF INSTALLING MOTOR VEHICLE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DEVICES ON ALL MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

1 *Resolved*, That the unpaid special commission, established by
2 chapter seventy-two of the resolves of nineteen hundred and
3 sixty-one, to investigate and study the problem of air pollution
4 and air pollution control, including the advisability of requiring
5 motor vehicle air pollution devices to be installed on motor
6 vehicles registered in the commonwealth, is hereby revived and
7 continued for the purpose of further considering these subjects,
8 and all other matters pertaining thereto.

9 Said commission shall be provided with quarters in the state
10 house or elsewhere, may hold hearings, may require by summons
11 the attendance of witnesses, and the production of books, records
12 and papers the giving of testimony under oath, may travel
13 within and without the commonwealth, and shall have the power
14 to employ such experts and other assistants, including the pro-
15 curement of the services of such consulting engineers, chemists
16 or attorneys as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of
17 this resolve and may expend for such services such sums as may
18 be appropriated therefor.

19 Said commission shall report to the general court from time to
20 time the results of its investigations and study and its recom-
21 mendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary
22 to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with
23 the clerk of the house of representatives and its final report shall
24 be filed not later than the first day of February, nineteen hun-
25 dred and sixty-four.

